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## EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

 An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

- Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ms. Lisa Stahl on May 4, 2009.
- 3. The application has been amended as follows:
- 4. Amendment to the Claims:
- 5. Please amend the following claim to read as follows:

Claim 5. The method of Claim 1, wherein  $\{\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2}\}$  step  $\{\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2}\}$  is performed by heating the filtrate to  $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}$  ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) or  $\frac{1}{2}$  ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) or  $\frac{1}{2}$  ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) or  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) or  $\frac{1}{2}$  ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) or  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) or  $\frac{1}{2}$  ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) or  $\frac{1}$ 

 Please amend Claims 1-4 and Claim 6 as set forth in the Examiner's Amendment submitted as part of the Allowance on 5/01/2009. Application/Control Number: 10/577,553 Page 3

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7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to JENNA A. WATTS whose telephone number is (571)

270-7368. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 8am-4:30pm.

8. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

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